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SUBJECT: FRG FONMIN GENSCHER'S VISIT TO INDIA

1. FRG EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY BRIEFED INDIA DESK
OFFICER APRIL 22 ON FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER'S
MEETINGS WITH PRIME MINISTER DESAI, FOREIGN MINISTER
VAJPAYEE AND DEFENSE MINISTER RAM DURING HIS APRIL 20-21
VISIT TO DELHI. PARAPHRASING DESPATCH FROM FRG EMBASSY
IN DELHI, THE WEST GERMAN OFFICER REPORTED THAT DESAI'S
AND VAJPAYEE'S ATTITUDE COULD ONLY BE DESCRIBED AS
QTE EMBITTERED UNQTE AS BOTH DISCUSSED THE NEW USG'S
NUCLEAR POLICY TOWARDS INDIA. THE INDIAN OFFICIALS
REPORTEDLY COMPLAINED THAT THE USG WAS ABANDONING ITS
BILATERAL AGREEMENT IN FAVOR OF A POLICY WHICH EXPECTED
INDIAN COMPLIANCE WITH A DEMAND FOR FULL FUEL-CYCLE
CONTROLS.

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2. ACCORDING TO THE WEST GERMAN EMBOFF, VAJPAYEE TOLD GENSCHER THAT SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO WOULD HAVE TO RESPOND TO NUMBER OF SERIOUS QUESTIONS ABOUT SOVIET ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE JANATA GOVERNMENT AS REFLECTED IN ITS SUPPORT FOR MRS. GANDHI UP TO HER ELECTION DEFEAT. DEFENSE MINISTER RAM INDICATED IN A FURTHER CONVERSATION

THERE SEEMED TO BE NO ALTERNATIVE TO HAVING MILITARY COOPERATION WITH THE SOVIETS IN VIEW OF FACT THAT THE WEST HAD NOT SUPPORTED INDIAN EFFORTS TO DIVERSIFY ITS SOURCES OF ARMS SUPPLY. THE WEST GERMAN EMBOFF SAID VAJPAYEE WOULD PROBABLY BE GOING TO BONN IN AUGUST.

3. EMBASSY DELHI MAY WISH TO SEEK MORE DETAILED READ-OUT OF GENSCHER'S VISIT FROM FRG EMBASSY.

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